

Ticks are n the forest or n wild, grassy

Ticks wait at the end of a piece of grass or on logs until an animal or

person brushes against them.

Some ticks give germs to people and pets that can make them sick.

Protect

When you hike, camp or play where ticks are found:

- Wear insect repellent
- Wear light color clothes so ticks are easy to see
- Wear long pants and a long-sleeved shirt
- Tuck your pants into your socks or boots and tuck in your shirt
- Stay on trails



After you go for a hike or every day if there are ticks where you play:



because ticks are very tiny. Ask an adult or another person to help you with a tick check.

Check your pets very carefully, too.

to remove a

- 1. Grab the tick close to your skin with tweezers or a tissue and pull straight out.
- 2. Wash where the tick bit you.
- 3. Wash your hands.
- 4. If you get sick after a tick bite you should go to the doctor.

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